## Live

## **Service Overview**

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## **1** What Is Live?

Huawei Cloud Live is the cumulation of years of video expertise. It offers a secure and high-concurrency E2E livestreaming solution while delivering a low-latency HD experience. Live offers the following subproducts:

- Cloud Live
- Media Live

#### **Cloud Live**

Cloud Live is an easy-to-use livestreaming service. It provides diverse live acceleration capabilities for entertainment, e-commerce, and education scenarios.

Huawei Cloud Live provides Cloud Stream Live and Low Latency Live (LLL). **Table** 1-1 describes their differences.

 Cloud Stream Live improves the stability and efficiency of high-concurrency livestreaming and provides powerful real-time media processing capabilities.
 Figure 1-1 shows the architecture of Cloud Stream Live.

By default, it is billed by downlink playback traffic. Available billing options include traffic volume, daily peak bandwidth, and 95th percentile bandwidth. For details, see **Billing**.

Figure 1-1 Cloud Stream Live architecture

#### Process of livestreaming:

- a. A streaming tool is used to push a livestream to an origin server with uplink acceleration enabled.
- b. The origin server transcodes the livestream in real time.
- c. The processed livestream is distributed to viewers with downlink acceleration enabled.
- d. Live records the livestream to Object Storage Service (OBS).
- Low Latency Live can minimize latency and frame freezing in high-concurrency scenarios. With optimized transmission protocols, dynamic routing, and low-latency transcoding, LLL keeps the latency under milliseconds to help you deliver premium content even under poor network conditions. It is suitable for scenarios that require low latency and good content synchronization. Figure 1-2 shows the LLL architecture.

A multi-terminal demo is provided for you to try out LLL. To obtain the app demo and source code, **submit a service ticket** to contact Huawei Cloud technical engineers.

RTMP
Steamer

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RTMP/HTTP FLV/HLS streaming
RTMP/HTTP FLV/HL

Figure 1-2 LLL architecture

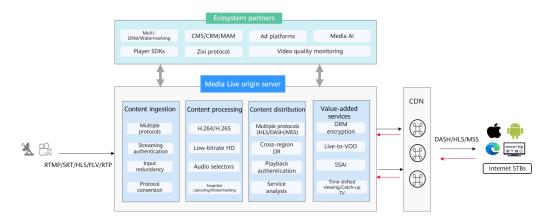
**Table 1-1** Comparison of Cloud Live sub-scenarios

Cloud Live Sub- Scenario	Cloud Stream Live	LLL	
Streaming Protocol	RTMP, HTTP-FLV, and HLS	WebRTC	
E2E Latency	RTMP and HTTP-FLV latency > 3s HLS latency > 6s	E2E latency < 800 ms	
Adaptable Network	Average	Good	
Applicatio n Scenario	Livestreaming that is insensitive to latency	Interactive livestreaming that requires low latency and good image synchronization	
General Capability		Functions such as real-time transcoding, recording, real-time snapshot capturing, content encryption, authentication, and statistics analysis	
	More than 2800 acceleration nodes in China and more than 800 outside China to provide superlative service experience		

#### **Media Live**

Huawei Cloud Media Live ensures stable broadcast-grade streaming for the industry's leading PGC players, around the clock with zero interruptions. Powered by the abundant compute resources of Huawei Cloud AZs worldwide and Huawei's years of audio/video expertise, Media Live helps TV stations and OTT platforms confidently deliver media content to their global audiences with unparalleled clarity and performance.

Figure 1-3 Media Live architecture



# Product Advantages

## 2.1 Cloud Live

Advantages of Cloud Live:

- Cloud Stream Live
- LLL

#### **Cloud Stream Live**

**Livestreaming acceleration:** RTMP stream push and RTMP/HTTP-FLV/HLS stream pull are supported. With intelligent scheduling, streams can be pushed to the site nearby, delivering a frame freezing rate lower than 2.5%. A playback success rate of more than 99.9% ensures instant video playback.

**Low-bitrate HD**: Lower bitrate at a given image quality reduces bandwidth costs by 20–30%.

**High cost-effectiveness:** H.264/265 transcoding improves livestreaming experience and greatly reduces costs.

**Enhanced security & reliability:** Cross-region DR and 24/7 technical support safeguard your business. The livestreaming architecture is built on Huawei's 20 years of Cloud Native 2.0 experience. It is an agile and intelligent architecture that combines enhanced security and reliability with fast scaling to safeguard your livestreaming.

#### LLL

**Millisecond-level latency:** UDP is used to livestream within milliseconds in high-concurrency scenarios, which outperforms regular livestreaming that suffers from a latency of 3–5 seconds. In addition, core metrics such as first-frame latency and frame freezing rate are improved, minimizing livestreaming latency for viewers.

Comprehensive functions and high compatibility: LLL supports major functions of Cloud Stream Live, such as stream push, live transcoding, recording, snapshot capturing, and playback. You can easily migrate your workloads from Cloud Stream Live to LLL.

**Easy usage and enhanced security:** Using standard protocols allows playing video on Chrome and Safari with no need for plug-ins. Protocols are encrypted by default, which are secure and reliable.

## 2.2 Media Live

## **Global Acceleration and Nearby Access**

- 800+ nodes outside the Chinese mainland, covering 130+ countries and regions
- 180 Tbit/s+ bandwidth reserve for elastic scaling upon traffic bursts
- Faster, stable access for users across regions and networks

## **Industry-leading Proprietary Technology**

- Intelligent routing helps identify the optimal route based on factors such as access location and network quality, delivering content 20%+ faster.
- Proprietary software-hardware synergy improves service performance.

#### **Secure Transmission**

- Full-link HTTPS transmission and advanced security control ensure stable service running and data security.
- Automatic node failover offers high service availability.
- The 24/7 local expert service responds to your needs in a timely manner.

## **Lower Costs and Higher Efficiency**

- Lower operations costs and latency and less retrieval bandwidth usage
- Easy configuration in just a few steps and more efficient deployment

## **3** Scenarios

The following lists application scenarios of Live subproducts:

- Cloud Live
  - Cloud Stream Live
  - LLL
- Media Live

#### **Cloud Stream Live**

**Online education**: Cloud Stream Live is an easy-to-integrate cloud service that can guarantee low-latency HD even when there are a massive number of viewers. Powerful real-time media processing ensures that videos can be quickly sent to interactive education websites. The acceleration nodes networkwide allow students to watch smooth videos. With video recording and transcoding, students can review learning materials at any time. In addition, hotlink protection prevents teaching materials from unauthorized use to protect copyrights.

**Interactive entertainment**: Cloud Stream Live can be used for livestreaming by influencers and enterprises, or livestreaming for entertainment and gaming. This one-stop E2E livestreaming solution supports diverse media processing functions, such as real-time transcoding.

**Live commerce**: Cloud Stream Live helps e-commerce platforms better present their products to turn more prospects into customers. The ultra-low latency keeps both streamers and viewers informed of transactions in real time so that viewers can buy products while watching the video.

**Live events**: Cloud Stream Live enables you to manage permissions for playing video using IP address access control lists (ACLs), URL validation, and the Advanced Encryption Standard (AES). These features help protect live content from unauthorized playback. Live video recording and recording file index creation are supported. Together with VOD, a one-stop Live-to-VOD solution is provided to facilitate the livestreaming of sports games, e-games, and enterprise presentations.

#### LLL

**Large online courses**: Millisecond-level latency facilitates interactivity in class, such as smoother Q&A sessions and whiteboard sharing, significantly improving student engagement and learning efficiency.

**Live commerce**: Low latency ensures a fair and consistent experience in live commerce activities such as flash sales. The streamer can answer viewers' questions and on-screen comments in a timely manner, attracting more visitors to the e-commerce platform for higher gross merchandise volume (GMV).

**Fashion shows**: The streamer can receive gifts sent by viewers immediately, improving interactivity in this latency-sensitive scenario.

**Live sports**: Fans can watch sports games together in a live room and interact with each other in real time at a low latency.

#### Media Live

**Broadcast & TV**: Huawei Cloud Media Live ensures 24/7 broadcast-grade streaming for broadcasters, TV stations, and carriers. With the CDN points of presence (PoPs) deployed worldwide, a higher compression rate for the same image quality improves user experience and inexpensively distributes live content.

**Sports**: By using local and global CDN PoPs, Media Live facilitates international livestreaming of major sports events, and offers premium live video experience in areas where these programs have a high viewership. SRT streams can be smoothly transmitted even in poor network conditions. Real-time packaging enables streams to play at different bitrate levels to ensure good video experience on multiple devices.

**Entertainment**: Powerful real-time transcoding allows streaming movies at a high level of bitrate and frame rate. DRM encryption and digital watermarking protect the copyright of high-value media content. Server-side ad insertion (SSAI) supports free ad-supported streaming TV (FAST) to facilitate business monetization.

## 4 Functions

## 4.1 Cloud Live

This section describes the functions of Cloud Live. You can check if a certain function is available in a region on the console.

#### Stream Push

**Stream push** is the process of collecting, encoding, and packaging live content and then transmitting it to Huawei Cloud origin servers.

**Stream push protocol**: RTMP, audio-only, and video-only

**Stream push method**: using third-party software, such as Open Broadcaster Software (OBS), XSplit, and FMLE

**Uplink acceleration**: stream push acceleration, user access point/device scheduling (DNS or HTTP DNS), access control, and auto scaling for live video

## **Playback**

**Playback** is the process of playing livestreams pushed from Huawei Cloud origin servers or from third-party origin servers.

**Playback protocol**: RTMP, HTTP-FLV, and HLS for Cloud Stream Live; WebRTC (can be downgraded to HTTP-FLV) for Low Latency Live (LLL)

**Playback method**: third-party players such as VLC for Cloud Stream Live; LLL online demos or open APIs for low-latency playback on web devices

**Downlink acceleration**: content distribution acceleration, user access point/device scheduling (DNS or HTTP DNS), access control, and auto scaling for live video

## Recording

You can record a livestream as an HLS/FLV/MP4 file and store it in an Object Storage Service (OBS) bucket, where you can download and share the content. For details, see **Recording Live Video to OBS**.

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## **Transcoding**

You can **transcode a livestream** into a video stream of different resolutions and bitrates to fit the network conditions. H.264/H.265 standard transcoding and low-bitrate HD transcoding are supported.

### **Snapshot Capturing**

Live captures snapshots (JPG only) from a livestream based on a configured template and stores the captured snapshots in an OBS bucket. Multiple snapshot templates can be configured for an ingest domain name. When stream push starts and snapshot capturing is enabled, the template whose *App Name* is the same as that in the ingest URL takes effect. For details, see **Snapshot Capturing**.

#### **Stream Status Notifications**

You can add a URL on the Live console for receiving messages when stream push starts or ends. A message is sent as a POST request to the user server through an HTTP API. Then the server returns the status code 200 to confirm that the message has been received. For details, see **Stream Status Notifications**.

### **Stream Delay**

The stream delay of Live defaults to 2 seconds and can be changed to 4 or 6 seconds. You can **configure stream delay** for RTMP and HTTP-FLV streams. The group of pictures (GOP) duration of the ingest end cannot be longer than the configured delay. The actual delay is influenced by factors including the player's network conditions.

Note: This function is not recommended for LLL.

## Origin Pull

By default, a streaming domain name created on Huawei Cloud Live pulls live content from Huawei origin servers. If you want to play live content pushed from your own origin server on Huawei Cloud, you can configure an origin address on the Live console to pull live content from your own origin server to a Huawei origin server for accelerated content distribution. For details, see **Configuring Origin Pull**.

Note: If you set **Origin Server** to **My origin server** (domain name) or **My origin server** (IP address) for a streaming domain name, livestreams of the ingest domain name associated with this streaming domain name cannot be played, and functions such as transcoding cannot be used. For LLL, ensure that there is no B-frame for origin pull.

#### **HTTPS Secure Acceleration**

Live allows you to configure HTTPS secure acceleration for streaming domain names. You can configure your own certificates or certificates purchased from Huawei Cloud Certificate & Manager (CCM) on the Live console. Only certificates in PEM format are supported. You can also enable Force HTTPS to force redirect user requests to HTTPS.

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#### **Access Control**

Live provides referer validation, URL validation, and access control lists (ACLs) to identify and filter out malicious visitors. Only authenticated visitors can use Live.

URL validation protects origin server resources from unauthorized download and theft. Referer validation uses referer blacklists/whitelists to prevent hotlinking. However, referer validation cannot well protect origin server resources because the referer content can be forged. As a result, you are advised to use URL validation.

Authentication mechanism of Live:

**URL validation**: Both ingest and streaming URLs can be validated. You can customize the authentication key and expiration time and use multiple authentication algorithms provided by Live.

**Referer validation**: You can configure a referer blacklist or whitelist to identify and filter out malicious visitors.

**ACL**: You can configure an IP address blacklist or whitelist to identify and filter out malicious visitors.

### **Usage Statistics**

With **usage statistics**, you can view the downstream bandwidth/traffic of all streaming domain names, and the total transcoding duration, maximum number of concurrent recording streams, and number of snapshots of all ingest domain names.

### **Service Monitoring**

With **service monitoring**, you can view data of a streaming domain name, such as the downstream bandwidth/traffic, stream playback profile, status codes returned in the response, and the number of online viewers of the corresponding livestream. You can also view data of the ingest domain name, such as the upstream bandwidth/traffic, total number of streams, pushed stream details, and frame rate/bitrate of a pushed stream.

## **LLL Statistical Analysis**

You can view the LLL-related statistics of a streaming domain name, including the downstream bandwidth/traffic, number of online viewers, and global and single-stream playback statistics.

## Log Management

Live provides the **log management** function that allows you to view detailed logs about the network users' access to all streaming domain names and download logs of the past 90 days.

Note: You can query and download logs in a time span of up to seven days. To query and download logs in a longer time span, repeat the operations.

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## **Monitoring and Alarms**

Live has integrated with Cloud Eye. You can query the monitoring metrics and alarms of streaming domain names and ingest domain names on the Cloud Eye console or by calling APIs. For details, see **Monitoring and Alarms**.

### **Enterprise Project**

Enterprise projects allow you to manage resource instances and services by category. Resources and services in different regions can be added to the same enterprise project. For example, an enterprise can classify resources based on departments or project groups and then put relevant resources into the same enterprise project for management. When adding a domain name, you can specify its enterprise project to facilitate domain name resource and permission management.

## 4.2 Media Live

This section describes the functions of Media Live. You can check if a certain function is available in a region on the console.

## Multi-Protocol Primary/Standby Stream Input

Media Live supports multiple input protocols, including RTMP, SRT, HLS, and FLV. You can provide primary and standby input addresses for each stream to ensure stream stability and reliability. For details, see **Channel Management**.

## **High-Quality Transcoding**

Media Live enables transcoding with versatile levels of resolution, bitrate, and frame rate. It supports H.264 and H.265, and enables standard and low-bitrate HD transcoding. By delivering the same image quality at lower bitrate, it effectively enhances user experience while reducing distribution costs. For details, see Creating a Transcoding Template.

## **Image Watermarking**

You can add image watermarks to livestreams. For details, see Media Processing.

## **Real-Time Packaging of Multi-Protocol Livestreams**

Livestreaming, catch-up TV, and time-shifted viewing are supported for HLS, DASH, and MSS output streams. Transcoding templates can be applied in real time to distribute content with adaptive bitrate. For details, see **Channel Management**.

## **Digital Rights Management (DRM)**

FairPlay, Widevine, PlayReady, and Multi-DRM safeguard your high-value media assets. For details, see **Channel Management**.

## **Stream Quality Monitoring**

Media Live supports minute-level input stream quality monitoring by channel.

You can view the monitoring information about CDN Downstream Bandwidth/ Traffic, CDN Status Codes returned in responses, CDN Concurrent Downstream Requests, Transcoding Metrics, and Packaging Metrics. For details, see Service Monitoring.

## **Domain Name Management**

You can add, delete, disable, and enable ingest domain names and streaming domain names. For details, see **Domain Name Management**.

## Flow Management

You can manage flows in a unified manner. Multiple channels can reference the same flow at a time, which improves channel O&M efficiency.

### **Channel Management**

You can create, enable, modify, disable, and delete a channel. For details, see **Channel Management**.

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# **5** PoP Distribution

Huawei Cloud Live has over 2,000 points of presence (PoPs) in the Chinese mainland and over 800 PoPs outside the Chinese mainland. The network-wide bandwidth reaches 180 Tbit/s. It covers more than 130 countries and regions and connects to networks of over 1,600 carriers. User requests can be scheduled to the most appropriate PoPs, accelerating content delivery.

#### NOTICE

For the region restrictions, see **Adding Domain Names**.

#### **PoP Distribution in the Chinese Mainland**

Geographic Region	PoP Distribution
North China	Beijing, Hebei, Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region, Shanxi, and Tianjin
East China	Anhui, Fujian, Jiangsu, Jiangxi, Shandong, Shanghai, and Zhejiang
Central China	Henan, Hubei, and Hunan
South China	Guangdong, Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, and Hainan
Northwest China	Gansu, Ningxia Hui Autonomous Region, Qinghai, Shaanxi, and Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region
Southwest China	Chongqing, Guizhou, Sichuan, Xizang Autonomous Region, and Yunnan
Northeast China	Heilongjiang, Jilin, and Liaoning

## **PoP Distribution Outside the Chinese Mainland**



Geographic Region	PoP Distribution (Divided Based on Huawei's Internal Businesses)
Asia	Azerbaijan, Hong Kong (China), India, Indonesia, Japan, Kazakhstan, Macao (China), Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam
Europe	France, Germany, and United Kingdom
Middle East and Africa	Bahrain, Egypt, Iraq, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, and United Arab Emirates
North America	Mexico
South America	Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, and Peru

6 Security

## 6.1 Shared Responsibilities on Huawei Cloud

Huawei guarantees that its commitment to cyber security will never be outweighed by the consideration of commercial interests. To cope with emerging cloud security challenges and pervasive cloud security threats and attacks, Huawei Cloud builds a comprehensive cloud service security assurance system for different regions and industries based on Huawei's unique software and hardware advantages, laws, regulations, industry standards, and security ecosystem.

Unlike traditional on-premises data centers, cloud computing separates operators from users. This approach not only enhances flexibility and control for users but also greatly reduces their operational workload. For this reason, cloud security cannot be fully ensured by one party. Cloud security requires joint efforts of Huawei Cloud and you, as shown in Figure 6-1.

- Huawei Cloud: Huawei Cloud is responsible for infrastructure security, including security and compliance, regardless of cloud service categories. The infrastructure consists of physical data centers, which house compute, storage, and network resources, virtualization platforms, and cloud services Huawei Cloud provides for you. In PaaS and SaaS scenarios, Huawei Cloud is responsible for security settings, vulnerability remediation, security controls, and detecting any intrusions into the network where your services or Huawei Cloud components are deployed.
- Customer: As our customer, your ownership of and control over your data assets will not be transferred under any cloud service category. Without your explicit authorization, Huawei Cloud will not use or monetize your data, but you are responsible for protecting your data and managing identities and access. This includes ensuring the legal compliance of your data on the cloud, using secure credentials (such as strong passwords and multi-factor authentication), and properly managing those credentials, as well as monitoring and managing content security, looking out for abnormal account behavior, and responding to it, when discovered, in a timely manner.

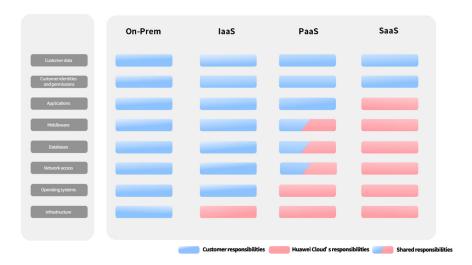


Figure 6-1 Huawei Cloud shared security responsibility model

Cloud security responsibilities are determined by control, visibility, and availability. When you migrate services to the cloud, assets, such as devices, hardware, software, media, VMs, OSs, and data, are controlled by both you and Huawei Cloud. This means that your responsibilities depend on the cloud services you select. As shown in **Figure 6-1**, customers can select different cloud service types (such as IaaS, PaaS, and SaaS) based on their service requirements. As control over components varies across different cloud service categories, the responsibilities are shared differently.

- In on-premises scenarios, customers have full control over assets such as hardware, software, and data, so tenants are responsible for the security of all components.
- In laaS scenarios, customers have control over all components except the underlying infrastructure. So, customers are responsible for securing these components. This includes ensuring the legal compliance of the applications, maintaining development and design security, and managing vulnerability remediation, configuration security, and security controls for related components such as middleware, databases, and operating systems.
- In PaaS scenarios, customers are responsible for the applications they deploy, as well as the security settings and policies of the PaaS middleware, database, and network access under their control.
- In SaaS scenarios, customers have control over their content, accounts, and permissions. They need to protect their content, and properly configure and protect their accounts and permissions in compliance with laws and regulations.

**On-premises (On-Prem)**: Software and IT infrastructure that are deployed and managed by customers within their own data centers, rather than be deployed by remote cloud service providers.

Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS): Cloud service providers offer compute, network, storage, and more infrastructure services, including Elastic Cloud Server (ECS), Virtual Private Network (VPN), and Object Storage Service (OBS).

**Platform as a Service (PaaS)**: Cloud service providers deliver platforms required for application development and deployment, such as **ModelArts** and **GaussDB**. Customers do not need to maintain the underlying infrastructure.

**Software as a Service (SaaS)**: Cloud service providers offer complete application software, such as **Huawei Cloud Meeting**. Customers use the software directly without the need to install the application, maintain it, or manage its underlying platform or infrastructure.

## 6.2 Shared Responsibilities on Huawei Cloud Live

Live requires the participation and responsibility sharing of the following roles. The security responsibility boundary of each role is as follows:

#### Huawei Cloud tenant

Responsible for **livestreaming management**, including the following security responsibilities:

- Application and data security of the livestreaming platform and apps
- Security of livestreaming activities
- End user (streamers or viewers) security management, including security supervision of live video content
- Response to regulators

#### • Huawei Cloud Live

The security responsibilities of **Live** are as follows:

- Transmission network security, which is essential to the transmission and processing of video content
- Tenant data security
- Providing technologies, such as snapshot capturing and recording, to support tenants' video content monitoring
- Response to regulators

#### • End user

**Streamers and viewers** are responsible for the security of video production and video content.

## **6.3 Certificates**

## **Compliance Certificates**

Huawei Cloud services and platforms have obtained various security and compliance certifications from authoritative organizations, such as International Organization for Standardization (ISO). You can **download** them from the console.

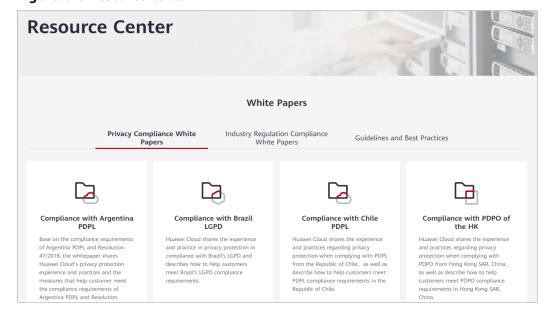
**Download Compliance Certificates** Q Please enter a keyword to search enso BS 10012:2017 FNS Singapore Multi Tier Cloud Security (MTCS) Level 3 BS 10012 provides a best practice framework for Mandatory law for companies in the public a personal information management system sector and their technology suppliers The MTCS standard was developed under the that is aligned to the principles of the EU GDPR. Singapore Information Technology Standards Committee (ITSC). This standard requires cloud It outlines the core requirements organizations need to consider when collecting, storing, service providers to adopt well-rounded risk processing, retaining or disposing of personal records related to individuals. management and security practices in cloud computing. The HUAWEI CLOUD Singapore region has obtained the level 3 (highest) certification of MTCS Download Download ISO 27017:2015 Trusted Partner Network (TPN) ISO 27001:2022 The Trusted Partner Network (TPN) is a global, ISO 27001 is a widely accepted international ISO 27017 is an international certification for industry-wide media and entertainment content standard that specifies requirements for cloud computing information security. It security initiative and community network, wholly owned by the Motion Picture management of information security systems. indicates that HUAWEI CLOUD's information Centered on risk management, this standard security management has become an ensures continuous operation of such systems by regularly assessing risks and applying Association. TPN is committed to raising content international best practice security awareness and standards and building a more secure future for content partners. TPN appropriate controls. can help identify vulnerabilities, increase security capabilities, and efficiently Download Download Download

Figure 6-2 Downloading compliance certificates

#### **Resource Center**

Huawei Cloud also provides the following resources to help users meet compliance requirements. For details, see **Resource Center**.





## 6.4 Identity Authentication and Access Control

## **6.4.1 Permissions Management**

If you need to assign different permissions to employees in your enterprise to access your Live resources, Identity and Access Management (IAM) is a good choice for fine-grained permissions management. IAM provides identity authentication, permissions management, and access control, helping you securely access Huawei Cloud resources. If your Huawei account can meet your requirements and you do not need an IAM account to manage user permissions, skip this section.

IAM is a free service. You only pay for the resources in your account.

With IAM, you can control access to specific Huawei Cloud resources. For example, if you want some software developers in your enterprise to use Live resources but do not want them to delete Live resources or perform any other high-risk operations, you can grant the permission to use Live resources but not the permission to delete them.

IAM supports role/policy-based authorization and identity policy-based authorization.

The following table describes the differences between these two authorization methods.

**Table 6-1** Differences between role/policy-based and identity policy-based authorization

Autho rizatio n Model	Core Relation ship	Permissio ns	Authorization Method	Description
Role/ Policy	User- permissi on- authoriz ation scope	<ul> <li>Syste m-define d roles</li> <li>Syste m-define d policie s</li> <li>Custo m policie s</li> </ul>	Assigning roles or policies to principals	To authorize a user, you need to add it to a user group first and then specify the scope of authorization. It is hard to provide fine-grained permissions control using authorization by user groups and a limited number of condition keys. This method is suitable for small- and medium-sized enterprises.

Autho rizatio n Model	Core Relation ship	Permissio ns	Authorization Method	Description
Identit y policy	User- policy	<ul> <li>Syste m- define d identit y policie s</li> <li>Custo m identit y policie s</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Assigning identity policies to principals</li> <li>Attaching identity policies to principals</li> </ul>	You can authorize a user by attaching an identity policy to it. User-specific authorization and a variety of key conditions allow for more fine-grained permissions control. However, this model can be hard to set up. It requires a certain amount of expertise and is suitable for medium- and large-sized enterprises.

Assume that you want to grant IAM users the permissions needed to use Live in CN North-Beijing4 and OBS buckets in CN South-Guangzhou. With role/policy-based authorization, the administrator needs to create two custom policies and assign both to the IAM users. With identity policy-based authorization, the administrator only needs to create one custom identity policy and configure the condition key **g:RequestedRegion** for the policy, and then attach the policy to the principals or grant the principals the access permissions to the specified regions. Identity policy-based authorization is more flexible than role/policy-based authorization.

Policies and actions in the two authorization models are not interoperable. You are advised to use the identity policy-based authorization model. For details about system-defined permissions of the two models, see Role/Policy-based Authorization and Identity Policy-based Authorization.

For details about IAM, see What Is IAM?.

## **Role/Policy-based Authorization**

Live supports role/policy-based authorization. By default, new IAM users do not have any permissions. You need to add them to one or more groups, and then add permissions policies or roles to these groups. The users inherit permissions from their groups and can then perform specified operations on cloud services.

Live is a project-level service deployed in different physical regions. When you set **Scope** to **Region-specific projects** and select the specified projects (for example, **ap-southeast-2**) in the specified regions (for example, AP-Bangkok), the users only have permissions on Live resources in the selected projects. If you set **Scope** to **All resources**, the users have permissions on Live resources in all region-specific projects. When accessing Live, the users need to switch to a region where they have been authorized to use Live.

#### ■ NOTE

When assigning permissions to a user group in IAM, you cannot select **Enterprise projects** when setting **Specify the authorization scope** on the **Select Scope** page.

**Table 6-2** lists all system-defined permissions on Live. System-defined policies in role/policy-based authorization and identity policy-based authorization are not interoperable.

Table 6-2 System-defined permissions on Live

System Role/ Policy Name	Description	Category	Dependency
Live FullAccess	Has all permissions on Live.	System- defined policy	None
Live ReadOnlyAcces s	Has the read-only permission on Live.	System- defined policy	None

**Table 6-3** lists the common operations supported by the system-defined permissions on Live.

**Table 6-3** Common operations supported by the system-defined permissions

Operation	Live FullAccess	Live ReadOnlyAccess
Creating a domain name	✓	х
Modifying a domain name	√	х
Deleting a domain name	✓	х
Querying domain names	✓	✓
Mapping domain names	√	х
Deleting a domain name mapping	✓	х
Adding or overwriting stream notification configurations	✓	x

Operation	Live FullAccess	Live ReadOnlyAccess
Querying stream notification configurations	✓	✓
Deleting stream notification configurations	✓	x
Creating a domain name configuration item	✓	x
Modifying a domain name configuration item	✓	х
Querying domain name configuration items	✓	✓
Deleting a domain name configuration item	✓	х
Querying IP ACLs	√	√
Modifying an IP ACL	√	х
Obtaining the list of regions where Live is available	✓	✓
Modifying the list of regions where Live is available	✓	х
Configuring a referer validation ACL	✓	х
Deleting a referer validation ACL	√	х
Querying referer validation ACLs	√	✓
Querying HTTPS certificate information	✓	✓
Obtaining the link for downloading playback logs	✓	✓

Operation	Live FullAccess	Live ReadOnlyAccess
Creating a recording template	√	х
Querying recording templates	√	✓
Modifying a recording template	✓	х
Deleting a recording template	√	х
Querying recording templates	√	√
Querying recorded content	✓	✓
Submitting a recording command	√	х
Creating a recording callback	√	х
Querying recording callbacks	√	✓
Modifying a recording callback	✓	х
Querying recording callbacks	✓	✓
Deleting a recording callback	✓	х
Configuring a snapshot capturing template	✓	х
Modifying a snapshot capturing template	✓	х
Querying snapshot capturing templates	√	✓
Deleting a snapshot capturing template	√	х
Disabling a stream	√	х
Querying disabled streams	√	✓
Resuming a stream	√	х

Operation	Live FullAccess	Live ReadOnlyAccess
Modifying the attribute of a disabled stream	✓	х
Disconnecting a stream	√	Х
Querying ongoing streams	√	√
Creating a task for ingesting streams from external networks	✓	x
Deleting a task for ingesting streams from external networks	√	x
Querying tasks for ingesting streams from external networks	✓	✓
Configuring the billing mode	√	Х
Querying tenant information	√	√
Creating a transcoding template	✓	x
Deleting a transcoding template	✓	х
Modifying a transcoding template	✓	x
Querying transcoding templates	√	√
Adding transcoding SEI	√	Х
Querying HTTP status codes for pulling streams	√	√

Operation	Live FullAccess	Live ReadOnlyAccess
Querying the stream frame rate	√	√
Querying the stream bitrate	✓	√
Querying the real- time stream bitrate	√	✓
Querying the real- time stream frame rate	√	✓
Querying the duration of recordings	√	✓
Querying the number of snapshots	✓	√
Querying the number of streams by domain name	✓	√
Querying historical streams	√	√
Querying playback profiles	√	√
Querying the number of online streamers	√	✓
Querying the playback bandwidth trend	✓	√
Querying the playback traffic trend	✓	✓
Querying the peak playback bandwidth	√	√
Querying the total playback traffic	√	√
Querying the upstream bandwidth	✓	✓

Operation	Live FullAccess	Live ReadOnlyAccess
Querying the distribution of metrics in each region	✓	✓
Querying the playback bandwidth trend	√	✓
Querying the playback traffic trend	✓	✓
Querying the real- time upstream bandwidth	✓	✓
Querying the real- time downstream bandwidth	✓	✓
Querying the real- time stream bandwidth	✓	✓
Querying details about the real-time downstream bandwidth	✓	✓
Querying the bandwidth trend by stream	✓	✓
Querying the duration of transcoded outputs	✓	✓
Querying the number of transcoding tasks	✓	✓
Querying the number of streams for real-time transcoding	✓	✓
Querying the viewer trend by stream	√	✓
Querying the number of online viewers by stream	√	✓

Operation	Live FullAccess	Live ReadOnlyAccess
Querying the number of online viewers	✓	<b>√</b>
Querying details about the number of online viewers	✓	<b>√</b>

### **Roles or Policies Required for Live Console Operations**

#### NOTICE

- To authorize Live console access through a custom policy instead of the system-defined policies Live FullAccess and Live ReadOnlyAccess, the permission live:tenant:getTenantInformation must be included in the custom policy.
- After assigning an IAM user the **Live FullAccess** permission, you need to assign the user the following Cloud Eye permissions to monitor metrics of Live:
  - CES ReadOnlyAccess: On the Cloud Eye console, choose Cloud Service
     Monitoring > Live to view resource monitoring metrics of Live.
  - CES FullAccess: On the Cloud Eye console, choose Cloud Service
     Monitoring > Live to view resource monitoring metrics of Live and
     perform operations.

**Table 6-4** Roles or policies required for Live console operations

Console Operation	Depende ncy	Policy/Role Required
Authorizing access to OBS buckets	Object Storage Service	After granting an IAM user the <b>Live FullAccess</b> permission, you need to add the following OBS permissions in sequence:
	(OBS)	OBS ReadOnlyAccess: You can view the OBS bucket list on the OBS Authorization page only after this permission is added.
		OBS Administrator: You can authorize Live to use OBS buckets on the OBS Authorization page only after this permission is added.
Querying enterprise projects	Enterprise Project Managem ent Service (EPS)	After granting the <b>Live FullAccess</b> permission to an IAM user, you need to add the <b>EPS ReadOnlyAccess</b> permission so that the user can view the enterprise project list when adding a domain name on the <b>Domains</b> page.

Console Operation	Depende ncy	Policy/Role Required
Purchasing a pay-per-use prepaid Live resource package	Billing Center	After granting an IAM user the <b>Live FullAccess</b> permission, you need to add the <b>BSS Operator</b> permission so that the user can purchase a pay-peruse prepaid Live resource package.
Querying the downstream bandwidth/ traffic (old version)	Identity and Access Managem ent (IAM)	After granting the <b>Live FullAccess</b> permission to an IAM user, you need to add the <b>Tenant Guest</b> permission so that the user can query the downstream bandwidth/traffic.

## **Identity Policy-based Authorization**

Live supports identity policy-based authorization. **Table 6-5** lists all the system-defined identity policies for Live. System-defined policies in identity policy-based authorization are not interoperable with those in role/policy-based authorization.

Table 6-5 System-defined identity policies for Live

Policy Name	Description	Policy Type
LiveFullAccessPolicy	Has all permissions on Live.	System-defined identity policy
LiveReadOnlyPolicy	Has the read-only permission on Live.	System-defined identity policy

**Table 6-6** lists the common operations supported by the system-defined identity policies for Live.

**Table 6-6** Common operations supported by the system-defined identity policies for Live

Operation	LiveFullAccessPolicy	LiveReadOnlyPolicy
Creating a domain name	✓	х
Modifying a domain name	√	х
Deleting a domain name	√	х
Querying domain names	✓	√

Operation	LiveFullAccessPolicy	LiveReadOnlyPolicy
Mapping domain names	√	х
Deleting a domain name mapping	√	х
Adding or overwriting stream notification configurations	✓	х
Querying stream notification configurations	√	✓
Deleting stream notification configurations	✓	х
Creating a domain name configuration item	✓	х
Modifying a domain name configuration item	√	х
Querying domain name configuration items	√	✓
Deleting a domain name configuration item	√	х
Querying IP ACLs	√	√
Modifying an IP ACL	√	х
Obtaining the list of regions where Live is available	√	√
Modifying the list of regions where Live is available	✓	х
Configuring a referer validation ACL	√	х
Deleting a referer validation ACL	✓	х
Querying referer validation ACLs	√	✓

Operation	LiveFullAccessPolicy	LiveReadOnlyPolicy
Querying HTTPS certificate information	✓	✓
Obtaining the link for downloading playback logs	√	✓
Creating a recording template	$\sqrt{}$	x
Querying recording templates	√	✓
Modifying a recording template	√	х
Deleting a recording template	√	х
Querying recording templates	√	√
Querying recorded content	√	✓
Submitting a recording command	√	х
Creating a recording callback	√	х
Querying recording callbacks	√	√
Modifying a recording callback	√	х
Querying recording callbacks	√	✓
Deleting a recording callback	√	х
Configuring a snapshot capturing template	✓	х
Modifying a snapshot capturing template	✓	х
Querying snapshot capturing templates	√	✓
Deleting a snapshot capturing template	✓	х

Operation	LiveFullAccessPolicy	LiveReadOnlyPolicy
Disabling a stream	√	х
Querying disabled streams	√	✓
Resuming a stream	√	x
Modifying the attribute of a disabled stream	✓	x
Disconnecting a stream	√	х
Querying ongoing streams	√	√
Creating a task for ingesting streams from external networks	√	х
Deleting a task for ingesting streams from external networks	√	х
Querying tasks for ingesting streams from external networks	√	√
Configuring the billing mode	√	х
Querying tenant information	√	✓
Creating a transcoding template	√	х
Deleting a transcoding template	√	х
Modifying a transcoding template	√	х
Querying transcoding templates	√	√
Adding transcoding SEI	√	х

Operation	LiveFullAccessPolicy	LiveReadOnlyPolicy
Querying HTTP status codes for pulling streams	✓	✓
Querying the stream frame rate	√	√
Querying the stream bitrate	✓	✓
Querying the real- time stream bitrate	✓	✓
Querying the real- time stream frame rate	✓	✓
Querying the duration of recordings	√	✓
Querying the number of snapshots	√	√
Querying the number of streams by domain name	✓	✓
Querying historical streams	√	✓
Querying playback profiles	√	√
Querying the number of online streamers	√	✓
Querying the playback bandwidth trend	√	✓
Querying the playback traffic trend	√	✓
Querying the peak playback bandwidth	√	✓
Querying the total playback traffic	√	✓
Querying the upstream bandwidth	√	✓
Querying the distribution of metrics in each region	√	√

Operation	LiveFullAccessPolicy	LiveReadOnlyPolicy
Querying the playback bandwidth trend	√	√
Querying the playback traffic trend	✓	✓
Querying the real- time upstream bandwidth	√	✓
Querying the real- time downstream bandwidth	✓	✓
Querying the real- time stream bandwidth	√	✓
Querying details about the real-time downstream bandwidth	✓	√
Querying the bandwidth trend by stream	✓	✓
Querying the duration of transcoded outputs	√	√
Querying the number of transcoding tasks	√	√
Querying the number of streams for real-time transcoding	√	✓
Querying the viewer trend by stream	√	✓
Querying the number of online viewers by stream	✓	✓
Querying the number of online viewers	✓	✓
Querying details about the number of online viewers	✓	✓

## **Identity Policies Required for Live Console Operations**

**Table 6-7** Identity policies required for Live console operations

Console Operatio n	Depende ncy	Identity Policy Required
Authorizi ng access to OBS buckets	Object Storage Service (OBS)	After granting an IAM user the LiveFullAccessPolicy permission, you need to add the OBSOperateAccess permission so that the user can view the OBS bucket list on the OBS Authorization page and authorize Live to access OBS buckets.

## **Helpful Links**

- IAM Service Overview
- Granting Permissions Using IAM

## 6.4.2 Access Control for Live

# **Identity Authentication**

You can access Live through the Live console, APIs, and SDKs. Regardless of the access method, requests are sent through REST APIs provided by Live.

Live APIs can be accessed only after requests are authenticated. You can use either of the following authentication methods to call APIs:

- Token authentication: Requests are authenticated using tokens.
- AK/SK authentication: Requests are encrypted using AK/SK pairs. AK/SK authentication is recommended because it is more secure than token authentication.

For details, see **Authentication**.

### **Access Control**

Live supports access control based on IAM permissions and hotlink protection.

Table 6-8 Live access control

Method	Description	Details
IAM permissions	IAM permissions define which actions on your cloud resources are allowed or denied. After creating an IAM user, the administrator needs to add them to a user group and grant the permissions required by Live to the user group. Then, all users in this group automatically inherit the granted permissions.	Permissions Management
Hotlink protection	To prevent your data on Live from being stolen, Live provides referer validation, URL validation, and access control list (ACL) to identify and filter out malicious visitors. Only authorized visitors can use Live.	Hotlink Protection

# 6.5 Data Protection

Live takes different measures to keep data stored in Live secure and reliable.

**Table 6-9** Live data protection methods and features

Measure	Description	Details
Transmission encryption (HTTPS)	Live supports HTTP and HTTPS, but HTTPS is recommended as it is more secure than HTTP.	HTTPS Configuration
Sensitive data encryption and protection	Sensitive data configured by tenants, such as URLs used for validation, is stored using secure encryption algorithms.	-

# 6.6 Resilience

Live provides a four-level reliability architecture. It ensures data durability and reliability through technical solutions such as cross-region/AZ data DR, intelligent scheduling at edge nodes, and automatic microservice scale-out.

Reliability Level	Measure
Level 1 Service reliability	Automatic microservice scale-out
Level 2 Access reliability	Scheduling at multiple edge nodes

Reliability Level	Measure
Level 3 Data center reliability	Multi-AZ
Level 4 Region reliability	Multi-region

# 6.7 Security Risk Monitoring

Cloud Eye provides multi-dimensional monitoring for your resources on the cloud. With Cloud Eye, you can view the resource usage and service status, and respond to exceptions in a timely manner.

Live uses Cloud Eye to perform monitoring over resources, helping you monitor the usage of ingest and streaming domain names and receive alarms and notifications in real time.

For details about the monitoring metrics supported by Live and how to create monitoring alarm rules, see **Using Cloud Eye to Monitor Live Resources**.

# **7** Constraints

# 7.1 Regions

Live includes Cloud Live and Media Live. Currently, the origin servers are deployed only in the following regions:

- Cloud Live: CN North-Beijing4, AP-Singapore, and LA-Sao Paulo
- Media Live: CN North-Beijing4, AP-Singapore, and ME-Riyadh

The origin server in CN North-Beijing1 is no longer available for new service functions and users due to limited resources. Support will be provided only for existing service functions and users. If you want to try the latest functions of Live or your service volume is large, you are advised to migrate your workloads to the primary origin server of Live (CN North-Beijing4 for users in the Chinese mainland and AP-Singapore for international users).

# 7.2 Domain Names

By default, you can add up to 64 domain names in your account.

If you want to livestream an event in the Chinese mainland or globally, ensure that the domain name to be added has been licensed by the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology (MIIT) and the ICP license is valid.

### NOTICE

If you add, modify, or delete a domain name, the change will be displayed in **My Resources** within 24 hours. Please check the data later.

# 7.3 Cloud Live

Before using Cloud Live, understand the following constraints.

# **Constraints**

**Table 7-1** Constraints

Item	Description
Concurrent livestreams	There is no restriction on concurrent livestreams. If you require a bandwidth exceeding 100 Gbit/s, you are advised to <b>submit a service ticket</b> for further consultation.
Stream push	There is no limit on the bitrate. Common resolutions and bitrates are supported. To ensure smooth streaming, a bitrate no greater than 4 Mbit/s is recommended.
Playback	You can play a livestream only after the ingest and streaming domain names are associated. The values of <b>AppName</b> and <b>StreamName</b> in the streaming URL must be the same as those in the ingest URL.

Item	Description	
Input/Output	Cloud Stream Live	
format	Video packaging protocols	
	<ul> <li>RTMP and FLV</li> <li>Video codec: H.264 and H.265, etc.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>HLS output protocol</li> <li>Video codec: H.264 and H.265, etc.</li> </ul>	
	Audio packaging protocols	
	<ul> <li>RTMP and FLV</li> <li>Audio codec: AAC, etc.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>HLS output protocol Audio codec: AAC</li> </ul>	
	Low Latency Live (LLL)	
	Transmission protocol requirements	
	<ul> <li>Signaling transmission protocol: HTTPS, HTTP, and UDP are supported. HTTP listening port 80 is enabled. HTTP and UDP are insecure.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Media transmission protocol: UDP and TCP are supported.</li> <li>Media streams can be encrypted. It is recommended that DTLS be used for signaling negotiation, as UDP is insecure.</li> </ul>	
	Encoding format requirements	
	<ul> <li>Audience: The supported video encoding format is H.264 without B frames, and the supported audio encoding format is OPUS.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Streamer: The supported video encoding format is H.264 without B frames, and the supported audio encoding format is AAC (LC/HE).</li> </ul>	
	NOTE	
	<ul> <li>If the format of the streaming device is not supported, you need to create a transcoding template. LLL supports real-time transcoding, and you will be billed for using this function. The conversion from AAC to OPUS is supported and no fee will be generated.</li> </ul>	
	To reduce latency, you can set the GOP at the streaming device to 2s.	
Streaming management	This function is available only in CN North-Beijing4, AP-Singapore, and EU-Dublin.	
Recording	This function is unavailable in AP-Bangkok.	
Transcoding	In the <b>AP-Bangkok</b> region, submit a service ticket for review	
Snapshot capturing	after configuring a template. The configuration takes effect only after it is approved.	
Stream status notifications		

### **API Constraints**

Live sets a limit on the number of API calls to prevent service interruption caused by repeated API calls in a short period of time.

Table 7-2 API request throttling

API Category	API Name	Max. User Requests	Max. API Requests
Domain name management	<ul><li>Creating a domain name</li><li>Querying domain names</li></ul>	300 times/ minute	3,000 times/minute
	<ul> <li>Deleting a domain name</li> <li>Modifying a domain name</li> <li>Mapping domain names</li> <li>Deleting a domain name mapping</li> <li>Configuring the domain name IPv6 switch</li> <li>Modifying the HLS configuration of a domain name</li> <li>Querying HLS configurations of domain names</li> </ul>	100 times/ minute	1,000 times/minute
	<ul> <li>Modifying the streaming domain name delay</li> <li>Modifying origin pull settings</li> </ul>	30 times/minute	100 times/minute

API Category	API Name	Max. User Requests	Max. API Requests
	<ul> <li>Querying the streaming domain name delay</li> <li>Querying origin pull settings</li> </ul>	30 times/minute	300 times/minute
Domain name management	Querying IP address information	5 times/second	5 times/second
Transcoding template management	<ul> <li>Creating a transcoding template</li> <li>Deleting a transcoding template</li> <li>Modifying a transcoding template</li> <li>Querying transcoding templates</li> </ul>	100 times/ minute	1,000 times/minute
Stream management	<ul> <li>Disabling stream push</li> <li>Modifying the attribute of a disabled stream</li> </ul>	4,000 times/ minute	12,000 times/ minute
	<ul> <li>Querying disabled streams</li> <li>Resuming stream push</li> </ul>	3,000 times/ minute	6,000 times/minute
	Pausing stream push	300 times/ minute	3,000 times/minute

API Category	API Name	Max. User Requests	Max. API Requests
Notification management	<ul> <li>Adding and modifying stream notification configurations</li> <li>Querying stream notification configurations</li> <li>Deleting stream notification configurations</li> </ul>	300 times/ minute	3,000 times/minute
Authentication	<ul> <li>Configuring a referer validation ACL</li> <li>Deleting a referer validation ACL</li> <li>Querying referer validation ACLs</li> <li>Querying IP ACLs</li> <li>Modifying an IP ACL</li> <li>Generating a signed URL</li> </ul>	300 times/ minute	3,000 times/minute
	Querying supported areas of a streaming domain name	30 times/minute	300 times/minute
	Modifying supported areas of a streaming domain name	30 times/minute	100 times/minute

API Category	API Name	Max. User Requests	Max. API Requests
	<ul> <li>Querying the URL validation configuration of a specified domain name</li> <li>Modifying the URL validation configuration of a specified domain name</li> <li>Deleting the URL validation configuration of a specified domain name</li> </ul>	150 times/ minute	300 times/minute
Snapshot management	<ul> <li>Creating a snapshot capturing template</li> <li>Modifying a snapshot capturing template</li> <li>Querying snapshot capturing templates</li> <li>Deleting a snapshot capturing templates</li> </ul>	150 times/ minute	300 times/minute
Log management	Obtaining livestreaming logs	300 times/ minute	3,000 times/minute

API Category	API Name	Max. User Requests	Max. API Requests
Recording management	<ul> <li>Creating a recording template</li> <li>Querying recording templates</li> <li>Modifying a recording template</li> <li>Deleting a recording template</li> <li>Querying recording template</li> <li>Submitting a recording command</li> </ul>	300 times/ minute	3,000 times/minute
	Creating a video recording index	1,200 times/ minute	3,000 times/minute
Recording callback management	<ul> <li>Creating a recording callback</li> <li>Querying recording callbacks</li> <li>Modifying a recording callback</li> <li>Querying a recording callback</li> <li>Deleting a recording callback</li> </ul>	300 times/ minute	300 times/minute

API Category	API Name	Max. User Requests	Max. API Requests
HTTPS certificate management	<ul> <li>Modifying the HTTPS certificate configuration of a specified domain name</li> <li>Querying the HTTPS certificate configuration of a specified domain name</li> <li>Deleting the HTTPS certificate domain name</li> </ul>	150 times/ minute	300 times/minute
OBS bucket management	Granting or canceling authorization of accessing OBS buckets	150 times/ minute	300 times/minute
Livestreaming watermark management	Creating a watermark template Modifying a watermark template Deleting a watermark template Creating a watermark rule Modifying a watermark rule Deleting a watermark rule Deleting a watermark rule Coeffigurations	50 times/minute	200 times/minute

API Category	API Name	Max. User Requests	Max. API Requests
	Querying watermark templates Querying watermark template configurations Querying watermark rules	300 times/ minute	3,000 times/minute
Statistical analysis	Querying bandwidth utilization	100 times/ second	600 times/second
	Querying traffic utilization	20 times/second	200 times/second
	Querying the number of viewers	20 times/second	200 times/second
Statistical analysis	Querying the peak bandwidth	20 times/second	200 times/second
	Querying the total playback traffic	20 times/second	300 times/second
	Querying HTTP status codes	30 times/second	300 times/second
	Querying the duration of transcoded outputs	20 times/second	200 times/second
	Querying upstream bandwidth	20 times/second	300 times/second
	Querying the number of streams by domain name	20 times/second	300 times/second
	Querying historical streams	30 times/second	300 times/second
	Querying playback profiles	10 times/second	100 times/second

API Category	API Name	Max. User Requests	Max. API Requests
	Querying the distribution of livestreaming metrics by region	50 times/second	150 times/second
Statistical analysis	Querying the duration of recorded outputs	20 times/second	200 times/second
	Querying the number of snapshots	20 times/second	200 times/second
	Querying stream data of a streaming domain name	20 times/second	50 times/second
Stream analytics	Querying the stream frame rate	10 times/second	200 times/second
	Querying the stream bitrate	10 times/second	200 times/second
	Querying stream analytics data	10 times/second	200 times/second
	Querying CDN upstream quality data	30 times/second	300 times/second

# 7.4 Media Live

Before using Media Live, understand the following constraints.

### **PoP Distribution**

If Media Live uses Huawei Cloud CDN for acceleration, see CDN PoP Distribution.

# **Channel Inputs**

**Table 7-3** Channel input constraints

Item	Description
	The transcoded stream frame rate cannot be higher than the input frame rate.

Item	Description
Transcoded stream resolution	The transcoded stream resolution cannot be higher than the input resolution.
Audio/Video encoder	<ul> <li>Video: H.264 and H.265</li> <li>Audio: AAC, MP1, MP2, and MP3 Note: MP1, MP2, and MP3 are only available for TS inputs. By default, the inputs are transcoded into AAC outputs.</li> <li>Subtitling is not supported.</li> </ul>
Input specifications	<ul> <li>Patails:</li> <li>RTMP stream push is supported.</li> <li>HTTP-FLV stream pull is supported. The sequence header must be carried when playback starts.</li> <li>HLS-PULL stream pull is supported, as well as the HLS V3, HTTP, or HTTPS.</li> <li>SRT-Listener stream push is supported. Only TS streams are supported and streamid is optional.</li> <li>SRT-Caller stream pull is supported. Only TS streams are supported.</li> <li>Encrypted streams are not supported.</li> <li>Audio-only inputs are not supported, with at least one video stream required. Video-only outputs are not supported. For video-only outputs, one mute stream will be automatically added.</li> <li>The encoder parameters of the primary and standby inputs must be the same. Otherwise, the playback may be interrupted during input redundancy.</li> <li>Inputs: bitrate ≤ 50 Mbit/s, frame rate ≤ 60 FPS, resolution ≤ 4K</li> </ul>
Input GOP duration	Recommendations:  Set the value to 1 second or an integer multiple of 1 second.  Set the segment duration configured for a channel to an integer multiple of the GOP duration.
Ad signal arrival time	SCTE-35 signals must arrive ahead of ad insertion points to ensure that downstream systems have sufficient time to process ad information and enable seamless ad insertion.

# **Channel Outputs**

**Table 7-4** Channel output constraints

Item	Description
Audio/Video encoder	<ul><li>Video: H.264 and H.265</li><li>Audio: AAC</li><li>Subtitling is not supported.</li></ul>
MSS	Neither encrypted nor unencrypted MSS streams (H.265) can be output.
DRM encryption	DRM encryption algorithms supported:  • HLS: sample-aes  • DASH: CENC  • MSS: CENC

# **Resources**

**Table 7-5** Resource constraints

Item	Description
Number of channels	A tenant can create a maximum of 500 channels. If you need more channels, <b>submit a service ticket</b> to increase the quota.

# **Functions**

**Table 7-6** Function constraints

Item	Description
Channel function	All channels support only single-bitrate inputs, and multi-bitrate outputs are available only after transcoding.
	SRT_PUSH channels and RTMP_PUSH channels cannot be created at the same time for one domain name.

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**Table 7-7** Client constraints

Item	Description
Encoding format	In iOS 16.0 or later, the maximum HE-AAC audio bitrate is 64 Kbit/s. This constraint does not apply to AAC-LC.
Client	If the displayed segment duration of the source stream is different from the actual segment duration, the audio and video may be out of sync. To solve this potential issue, the client should support audio-to-video synchronization.

### **APIs**

Media Live sets a limit on the number of API calls to prevent service interruption caused by repeated API calls in a short period of time.

Table 7-8 API request throttling

API Category	API Name	Max. User Requests	Max. API Requests
OTT Channel Management	<ul> <li>Creating an OTT Channel</li> <li>Querying Channel Information</li> <li>Deleting Channel Information</li> <li>Modifying Channel Packaging Information</li> <li>Modifying Channel Input Information</li> <li>Modifying Channel Recording Information</li> <li>Modifying Channel Recording Information</li> <li>Modifying General Channel Information</li> <li>Modifying General Channel Information</li> <li>Changing the Channel Status</li> <li>Modifying Channel Transcoding Template Information</li> <li>Querying Channel Statistics</li> </ul>	80 times/minute	80 times/minute
Integration with Cloud Eye	<ul><li>Querying Dimension Configurations</li><li>Querying Instances</li></ul>	80 times/minute	80 times/minute

API Category	API Name	Max. User Requests	Max. API Requests
API Category  StreamConnect	<ul> <li>Creating a Flow</li> <li>Querying Flows</li> <li>Deleting a Flow</li> <li>Obtaining Flow Details</li> <li>Starting a Flow Task</li> <li>Stopping a Flow Task</li> <li>Modifying a Flow Source</li> <li>Creating an Output of Pushing Streams to a Third Party Through SRT</li> <li>Updating an Output of Pushing Streams to a Third Party Through SRT</li> <li>Updating an Output of Pushing Streams to a Third Party Through SRT</li> <li>Querying Outputs of Pushing Streams to a Third Party Through SRT</li> <li>Deleting an</li> <li>Deleting an</li> </ul>		Max. API Requests  80 times/minute
	Output of Pushing Streams to a Third Party Through SRT		

# 7.5 Content Compliance

Live does not allow accessing websites that violate related laws and regulations, including but not limited to:

- Websites that contain pornographic content or content related to gambling, illegal drugs, frauds, or infringement
- Gaming websites that run on illegal private servers
- Websites that provide pirated games/software/videos
- P2P lending websites
- Unofficial lottery websites
- Unlicensed hospital and pharmaceutical websites
- Inaccessible websites or websites that do not contain any substantial information

### ∩ NOTE

- If the use of your domain name violates related laws and regulations, you shall bear the related risks.
- If any pornographic content or content related to gambling, illegal drugs, or frauds is found on your domain name, the domain name and other domain names that use the same origin server will be deleted from Live and can no longer access Live. Acceleration domain name quota of the account will be reduced to 0.

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# **8** Related Services

Before using live recording and snapshot capturing, you must enable the related services listed in **Table 8-1**.

Table 8-1 Related services

Interactive Function	Service Name	Reference
Saving snapshots or recordings in OBS buckets	OBS	Creating a Bucket
		Uploading a File

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# 9.1 Concepts

#### Stream Push

A process of transmitting collected, encoded, and packaged live content to the origin server

### Stream Pull

A process of pulling live content from the origin server to a specific address for playback

# **Edge Streaming**

A livestream is pushed to a nearby edge node. Then, the scheduling system of Huawei Cloud transmits the livestream to the origin server for processing and distribution. This ensures that the livestream is transmitted over the optimal uplink network, with minimized lags.

## **Streaming Domain Name**

Domain name for playing livestreams. You must add a streaming domain name to Live before using Live. After a streaming domain name is added, a streaming URL will be generated. Then you need to assemble the streaming URL.

## **Ingest Domain Name**

Domain name for pushing livestreams. You must add an ingest domain name to Live before using Live. After an ingest domain name is added, an ingest URL will be generated. Then you need to **assemble the ingest URL**.

### **CNAME Record**

After ingest and streaming domain names are configured, the system assigns a respective CNAME record to the ingest and streaming domain names. You must

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add the records to your domains' DNS records for livestreaming acceleration to take effect.

### H.264

H.264 or MPEG-4 Part 10, a video compression standard developed by the ITU-T Video Coding Experts Group (VCEG) and ISO/IEC JTC1 Moving Picture Experts Group (MPEG).

### H.265

H.265 is a video compression standard, designed as a successor to H.264. Based on the video coding standard H.264, H.265 keeps some of the original technologies, while improves some relevant techniques. H.265 adopts the advanced techniques to improve the bit-stream, promote the coding quality, and better the relationship between time delay and algorithm complexity, to achieve best possible optimization. H.264 can transmit SD (resolution lower than 1280 x 720) digital images at a rate lower than 1 Mbit/s, whereas H.265 can transmit standard HD (resolution of 1280 x 720) audio and video at a rate of 1 Mbit/s to 2 Mbit/s.

### Low-Bitrate HD

Based on the human visual system model and Huawei's transcoding technology, Live analyzes each scenario, action, content, and texture in a video to deliver lower bitrate while keeping the bandwidth costs down but without compromising the video quality.

## **Real-time Transcoding**

A process of transcoding one livestream into another or more in real time to meet different bandwidth, device, and user requirements

### Weak Network

The QoS of a weak network is not stable.

### 95th Percentile Bandwidth

A billing option. Within a calendar month, the bandwidth is measured and recorded every 5 minutes on each valid day. At the end of the month, the records are sorted from the highest to the lowest, and the top 5% of the recorded bandwidth values are thrown away. Then the highest bandwidth value in the remaining records is the billable bandwidth of the month.

### **Stream Name**

This is used to identify a livestream with the domain name and **App Name**. **Stream Name** can be customized.

### **App Name**

Path for storing streaming media files. The default value is live.

## Livestreaming URL

This includes an ingest URL and streaming URL. A livestreaming URL consists of the domain name, **App Name**, and **Stream Name**. You can create multiple applications for each domain name, and create multiple livestreams for each application.

# 9.2 Regions and AZs

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A region or an availability zone (AZ) identifies the location of a data center. You can create resources in a specific region or an AZ.

- Regions are divided from the dimensions of geographical location and network latency. Public services, such as Elastic Cloud Server (ECS), Elastic Volume Service (EVS), Object Storage Service (OBS), Virtual Private Cloud (VPC), Elastic IP (EIP), and Image Management Service (IMS), are shared within the same region. Regions are classified as universal regions and dedicated regions. A universal region provides universal cloud services for common tenants. A dedicated region provides services of the same type only or for specific tenants.
- An AZ contains one or multiple physical data centers. Each AZ has independent cooling, fire extinguishing, moisture-proof, and electricity facilities. Within an AZ, computing, network, storage, and other resources are logically divided into multiple clusters. AZs within a region are interconnected using high-speed optical fibers to allow you to build cross-AZ high-availability systems.

Figure 9-1 shows the relationship between regions and AZs.

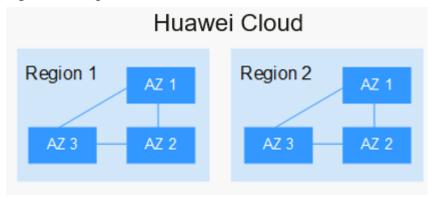


Figure 9-1 Regions and AZs

Huawei Cloud provides services in many regions around the world. You can select a region and AZ as needed. For more information, see **Huawei Cloud Global Regions**.

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# **Regions and Endpoints**

Before using an API to call resources, specify its region and endpoint. For details, see **Regions and Endpoints**.